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TAGS: PINS, MARR, UK (NI)

SUBJECT: RAID ON NAVCOMMSTA LONDONDERRY

REF: NAVCOMMSTA LONDONDERRY 170229Z MAR 74

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY REQUEST FOR ASSESSMENT, FCO TOLD EMBOFF MARCH 19 THAT INVESTIGATION OF UNSUCCESSFUL RAID ON NAVCOMMSTA ARMORY MARCH 17 WAS CONTINUING. IT IS THOUGHT THAT A TOTAL OF 7 PEOPLE WERE INVOLVED. POLICE AUTHORITIES IN NI ARE HOLDING 4 PEOPLE (2 MALE, 2 FEMALE) ON MINOR CHARGES PENDING DEVELOPMENT OF FURTHER EVIDENCE. ALL 4 ARE IDENTIFIED AS PROVISIONAL IRA.

2. PRELIMINARY BRITISH ASSESSMENT IS THAT RAID WAS PROBABLY A FREE-LANCE OPERATION UNAUTHORIZED BY IRA COMMAND. THEY NOTE THAT RAID WAS VERY INEPTLY EXECUTED.

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BRITISH DO NOT BELIEVE THAT RAID SUGGESTS THAT IRA HAVE

CHANGED PREVIOUS POLICY OF AVOIDING ATTACKS ON US
INSTALLATIONS.

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